

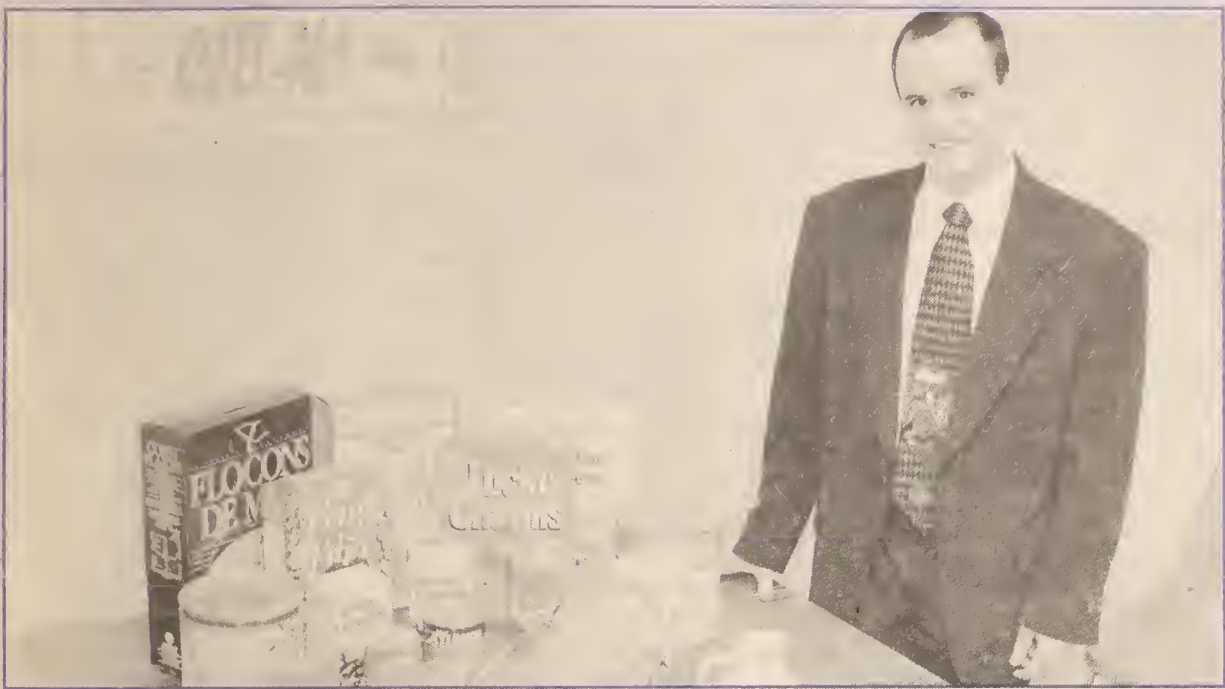


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Program director Mike Farwell promotes CRKZ's food drive contest in the Sanctuary Nov. 14. (Photo by Lise Eleanor)

Everyone a winner in radio food drive

By Samantha Craggs

Almost three weeks into their food drive, the program directors of CRKZ and CJLT are happy with the response. "We weren't sure how it would go over, but we were really impressed with the response," said CRKZ program director Mike Farwell in an interview. CJLT's Adam McCarthy said that it went better than he expected. "It's always been the nature of the college to be apathetic towards a lot of things, so I wouldn't have been surprised if we didn't get any support at all, but we did," he said in an interview. In October, the radio stations issued a challenge to students, stating that the year and program that donated the most food to their food drive each week would be awarded a \$70 gift certificate for food at Casey's. McCarthy and Farwell said the second week of the food drive they received 150 items of food. Farwell said it took four broadcast, radio and television (BRT) students to carry the 11 bags of

food to the DSA office. "The DSA was shocked," Farwell said. The winner of the second week was Year 2 management studies. McCarthy said the class in room 2B01 donated between 70 and 80 food items. "They're in the lead now, and we're going to see if anyone can knock them off," McCarthy said. Farwell said rooms 2B01 and 2B02 competed against each other, with students from woodworking, mechanical engineering, construction and BRT contributing. First-year woodworking students won the food drive the first week. McCarthy said if there is competition more people will get involved. "It helps," Farwell agreed. "The \$70 gift certificate is a carrot dangling in front of their noses." BRT's other Casey's event, the pub night, was originally a once-a-week event, but Farwell said it has been changed to once a month. "Once a week was too much strain because we only have nine people running the stations," Farwell said. "We couldn't have people committed to that every week." The first pub night was October 26 at Casey's featuring the band Dirge. Farwell said there was a fairly good turnout, and the band enjoyed it and made enough to cover their expenses. "It wasn't quite everything we'd hoped for," Farwell said, "but it was the first one, so hopefully things will pick up." Casey's pub nights are the last Thursday of every month with the doors opening after the regular mall hours, said Farwell. He also said the radio stations have also organized spotlights on new independent Canadian bands. "We've been getting gobs and gobs of input," Farwell said. "I just got two faxes today on bands that want airplay." Bands featured on the spotlights include Monoxide, DDT and Too Many Cooks. "We're going to be doing more," Farwell said. "We want people to be aware of us and look out for us because we'll be out there again."

One-day walkout unlikely to include faculty

By Perry Hagerman

It is unlikely that the Ontario Public Sector Employees Union (OPSEU) will support the Ontario Federation of Labor's (OFL) call for a one-day walkout, said John Berry. Berry is the president of OPSEU's Local 237 which represents the faculty, librarians and counsellors at Conestoga College. The OFL announced on Nov. 13, that a city in Ontario would be hit with a one-day walkout sometime before Christmas. The OFL is a broad-based organization whose members include most of the union organizations in the province. The reason for not supporting a call for a one-day strike, said Berry, is that public sector employees have to deal with different circumstances than the private sector. "It is different when your employer is the government and can change the rules when it wants to." Berry said OPSEU might be setting itself up for a hardline government response if

it walked out. He said he believes that the current situation may be similar to the time in the early '80s when the air traffic controllers in the United States walked off the job and Ronald Reagan fired all of them. "The current government would like to have any reason to be heavy-handed with the union," Berry said. The other concern, said Berry, is that for a walkout to work, it has to be done properly with full support from the OFL members. On Wednesday, Nov. 1, the OFL was scheduled to announce the walkout, but the announcement was canceled. It was the lack of co-ordination and agreement among the union leaders that caused the delay in the announcement, Berry said. The call for a one-day strike is being fuelled by the provincial government's repeal of Bill 40 which was brought in by the previous NDP government in 1993. Bill 40 gave the unions and their members more rights and banned the use of

replacement workers during a strike. In a memo to the faculty at Conestoga, Berry said the Conservatives are bringing in Bill 7 and Bill 8 which will take away many of the rights included in Bill 40. These measures even go further by removing some of the rights which were enjoyed previous to 1993. "One of the most devastating parts is the removal of successor rights for crown employees," said Berry in the memo. The provincial government is said to be looking at selling off to the private sector many of the services it now provides. With Bill 7 as law, the company purchasing the public service would not have to assume obligations of the current contract with the workers providing the service. "If a public service is sold to the private sector, the employees would lose their job guarantee, union rights, their contract and all its benefits and be at the complete mercy of the new owner," Berry said in the memo.

This week in the news

Conestoga works with Barbadian schools

Carolyn Dudgeon, from the planning and education department at Conestoga, returned from Barbados recently with a good understanding of how Conestoga can help Barbadian colleges in reaching a higher level of training its students.

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College congratulates employees and retirees

Conestoga held a reception Nov. 8 to honor employees with 25 and 10 years service with the college, as well as to honor those retired from service since 1995.

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Christmas wishes closer to home

The DSA has changed their mandate for this year's Christmas wish tree. All donations will go to the children of Conestoga College students to help ease the stress for families having to deal with family benefit cuts.

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Students help students get dressed

Conestoga's Waterloo campus held its annual clothing drive on Nov. 9 and 10. The student-run program donated clothing on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Broadcasting a good time for all

Ann Medina, an accomplished newswoman, was the guest speaker at the annual broadcasting, radio and television banquet Friday., Nov. 3, where 13 BRT students went home with cash awards.

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Peer hosting: a bridge to Canadian culture

Student services will be holding a get together on Wednesday, Nov. 29, for students involved in the peer host program. Since there have not been as many foreign students requiring the service as expected so far this year, co-ordinator for the program Barb Kraier said the program could still accommodate more requests for peer hosts.

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Remembrance Day assembly attended by few

It was a dedicated few who attended the DSA sponsored Remembrance Day Assembly in the Sanctuary Nov. 10. The assembly was followed by a tree-planting ceremony outside the main cafeteria.

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Teacher enjoys multiple chess challenge

Stelian George-Cosh, a teacher in the mechanical engineering faculty, took on challengers at a chess tournament in the cafeteria Nov. 7.

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Condors win in Sault Ste. Marie

The Conestoga Condors beat Sault College 7-5 in Sault Ste. Marie Friday, Nov. 10. Coach Tony Martindale said his team's play improved greatly from their first game. Dewayne Kropf and Evan Anderson had two goals each for the Condors.

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News Briefs

Celebrating history

- The Regional Municipality of Waterloo, in conjunction with heritage groups, are planning a week long series of events and activities to celebrate the opening of the Waterloo Regional Curatorial Centre. These events will run from Nov. 20 to Nov. 27.

BOD meeting

- The Board of Directors will be holding a meeting Nov. 28 at 4:30 p.m. in room 1B20.

G.L.A.D. meeting

- There will be a meeting of Gay and Lesbians at Doon (GLAD) in the Student Services office Nov. 27 at 4:30 p.m. For more information contact Joan at Student Services.

Music to the ears

- The Waterloo Chamber Players inaugural concert, featuring guest artist cellist Paul Pulford, will be held Sunday Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. The event will be held at the St. Jacob's Schoolhouse Theatre located at 11 Albert St. St. Jacob's. Tickets are \$10 or \$5 for students and seniors. For more information, call 576-5082

Sexual Assault Workshop

- There will be a sexual assault workshop at the Family Crisis Shelter in Cambridge on Thursday, Nov. 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Silent Auction

- Bids for the silent auction for this year's diabetes campaign will be accepted in the DSA office from Nov. 20 - 24.

CORRECTIONS

In the Nov. 6 issue of Spoke, BDO Dunwoody was spelled incorrectly.

Also, in a story on page 6, the Alumni Association was incorrectly named, and K-W Optical Limited, manufactures prescription eye glass lenses.

Carolyn Dudgeon's name was spelled incorrectly on the front page of the Nov. 13 issue of Spoke, as well as Mike Muirach's name in the campus comments.

Cuts meeting discusses solutions

By Linda Yovanovich

The Family Benefits Cuts meeting held Wednesday, Nov. 8, combined tactics and guidance for those affected by the cuts the Harris government is making to social assistance.

Student services counsellor Barb Kraler told the group of five women how they could make their voices heard and help themselves get through tough times.

She told the group that as part of an effort to alert people to the damage the Ontario Progressive-Conservative Party is doing to social assistance some local women have started the Heart of Gold campaign and asked that the women get involved.

Vivian Horovitch, one of the women running the campaign, said in a phone interview the campaign includes a gold ribbon symbolizing how precious children are, and a petition addressed to Premier Mike Harris.

In the petition Harris is asked to exempt welfare recipients who are currently enrolled in job training programs from the recent cuts.

As well, it is asked that women receiving social assistance who have children under the age of three are exempt from the cuts.

As well, he was asked to reconsider the cuts to social assistance on the compassionate grounds that the cuts will severely hurt the most vulnerable in the community, the children.

Horovitch said she hoped the campaign would continue into the new year.

At the meeting, Janet Hastings, a

single mother who attends Conestoga, read a letter to the editor which she and Andrea Robinson had written.

She emphasized the broken promises made by the Harris government to those who would work or receive training or an education to recoup their old rate of social assistance.

In the letter she points out that "it is impossible to work part-time when a student is doing school work 40 hours a week and household duties at least another 40."

Hastings asked the women in the group to add to it or sign it to show their support.

Kraler, then, started a discussion about the concerns of the women at the meeting regarding the cuts to their benefits.

Several said they were concerned about what little money is left over after the bills are paid.

Kraler reminded the women of the services offered through the college for those in need including the food bank and food vouchers.

Members of the group also expressed their frustration with the stigma that goes along with being on social assistance.

Sandie Stanovie said she is frustrated with the insensitivity that people have towards single mothers who need financial help.

She said she feels she has been dealt a "double whammy" by the government and society.

"I never thought I'd be in this position," Stanovie said. "I never wanted to be in it."

Future Family Benefits Cuts meetings will be held every second Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

Speaking out
Student petitions rollerblading ban

By Amy Wroblewski

The wheels have started turning to have the rule against using in-line roller skates on campus reversed.

Patrick Ryan, a first-year Woodworking student submitted a 250-signature petition on Thursday Nov. 9, asking the Parking Feedback Group to allow roller-skating on campus as a form of transportation.

In an interview, Ryan said he was stopped twice a couple of weeks ago by a security guard on the Doon campus and was told to stop roller-skating.

The third time he was stopped, Ryan asked the security guard why he wasn't allowed to skate on campus. He was told it was against regulations and to talk to Barry Milner, director of Physical Resources.

The next day, Milner showed Ryan a copy of the traffic regulations. He explained to Ryan the parking committee had decided in January to forbid skating on campus because an additional hazard for drivers to look out for.

Ryan then decided to start a petition asking the committee to overturn their decision.

"I don't know if it will be shot down, but it's worth a try," he said. "I don't know if I have the power to change their minds."

Ryan said he doesn't think his request is unusual.

"Rollerblading is a mode of transportation like a bike," he said. "It's not that big a problem."

In an interview, Milner said Ryan's request and petition will be presented to the parking committee at its next meeting in the new year.

"There won't be any changes made at this time," Milner said.

"Until it can be reviewed and changed next year by the committee."

Milner commended Ryan for telling him he is going about solving the problem the right way and assuring him the issue will be reconsidered.

Ryan said if skating isn't permitted on campus, there should be signs posted making people aware of this.

Milner said there are enough signs on campus already and if they posted the regulations on a sign, people wouldn't pay attention to them.

Milner said there is a complete copy of the parking regulations available to anyone.

Students who insist upon violating the regulations by in-line skating on campus can expect to have their name and student number recorded by security, he said.

Barbados educational trip successful

By José Compta

The curriculum planning consultant for the international education department at Conestoga, returned from a successful educational trip to Barbados on Nov. 3.

Carolyn Dudgeon said the reason for her trip was to review the terms of reference for the human resources project on technical vocational education that Conestoga college will be doing for the Barbadian government.

She said she gained a better understanding of what consultation they need education and civil service.

Dudgeon said she met with representatives from the Barbadian ministries of labor, education and civil services.

She also met representatives from Barbados' Community College, Samuel Jackman Preschool, Polytechnical College, and Erdiston College.

Dudgeon said Canadian consultants will be sent to Barbados to begin consultations.

Her department will also be looking for places where Barbadian participants can stay and work during their one-month study tours.

"We are now putting together a proposal to indicate the best way to satisfy their needs for consultations and study tours in a variety of areas," she said.

The proposal has to be submitted by Dec. 1, and the answer will be received within one month, she said. "They seem keen in making their decision quickly." Said Dudgeon: "They are very anxious to start the project in March 1996, and will run it over a period of two years."

The project involves about 30 consultations in various subjects such as program evaluation, instruction technology, library and resource centre services, position classification, and curriculum development.

Dudgeon said the Barbadians are specially interested in instructional technology and the use of computers in a variety of settings.

"A big emphasis is focused on providing training to their staff in each location," said Dudgeon. "They will increase their skills and later apply them to a work setting and in training others."

"I think we have a lot to offer with state-of-the-art facilities for the study tours."

Carolyn Dudgeon, curriculum consultant

Dudgeon said the Barbadians want to computerize their library systems with an automated retrieval system, and to implement alternative education delivery methods such as distance learning through TV and CD-ROMs.

They also want to establish standards for curriculums and programs to enable them to expand the number of courses offered to business and industry.

This will also improve people's knowledge in the work place through continuing education and skills upgrading.

The Barbadian government wants to set up a language training centre in foreign languages.

This will improve the quality of service in their country's most important tourist industry.

"I think we have a lot to offer with state-of-the-art facilities for the study tours," said Dudgeon.

The consultations will take approximately one to three months each to complete, and the study tours will be three months to one year in length, she said.



Carolyn Dudgeon, a curriculum consultant in the college international department, writes a report on her fact-finding trip to Barbados.

(Photo by José Compta)

CAMPUS NEWS

Conestoga honors service Retired and long time employees recognized at function

By Leanne Moses

About 90 people attended a reception at which retiring employees were recognized as well as employees who have achieved 10 and 25 years of service to the college.

The event, held on Nov. 8 in the blue cafeteria, acknowledged the "high level of commitment and loyalty" of employees, said Lynda Davenport, chair of the Board of Governors.

Addressing the employees, their guests and senior college officials at the function, college president John Tibbits said the employees "have built this place practically from scratch."

He noted the long term employees had seen a lot of change during the exciting, challenging and sometimes difficult years.

Tibbits acknowledged the contribution of the staff members he described as willing to go above and beyond in their dedication.

"Our students are producing very well - they are winning awards across the province." He noted that

Conestoga also has one of the highest job placement rates for students among colleges.

Tony Martinek, who spoke on behalf of the 25-year employees, said the college was only three years old when many of the employees started working which reminded him of the hopeless state of the aging process. He said the challenges had been enormous.

"We have a common goal to provide the best education possible for those who want to learn," he said.

Bill Harrison, speaking on behalf of the retirees, said the idea people have of retired people as "old duffers on the front porch" was misleading.

He suggested that instead of retirees, those who have entered this new phase of life ought to be called "super graduates."

"I miss the youth and vitality of students and colleagues," Harrison said, "but I don't miss marking, driving through blizzards and punching a time clock for class." Harrison was a member of the business faculty in the management

studies program for 21 years.

A humorous point in the evening came when Tibbits, introducing retiree Bill Harrison, noted Harrison's well-known penchant for bright red socks.

Tibbits raised his pant leg to reveal his socks patterned with diamonds which he said he wore so he wouldn't be outdone by Harrison.

When asked about his socks in an interview, Harrison said he always liked bright red socks. One time, his students gave him a pair of socks patterned with Christmas trees. At Christmas, he said he wore one green sock and one red sock.

Only two other retirees attended the reception. Colin Isles was a faculty member for 26 years in the technology department on the Guelph campus.

Jean McEwan, an employee for 20 years, began her stint at Conestoga in the print shop and then spent the last nine years in the registrar's office.

Employees had the opportunity to socialize and reminisce about the early days of the college.

Titia Taylor, a member of the early childhood education faculty for 25 years, said the college had been a lot more relaxed in its early years, and she missed some of the fun a bit.

"The students are more intense now." She said she thinks today's students have to worry about whether or not they will get jobs after graduating and things are tougher for them now.

The ceremony also recognized members of the Board of Governors who completed their service. Leaving the board are Anna Bortolon, Sharon Gross, Jennifer Horner, Jennifer Kurt, William Moeser.

The long service employees received special service recognition pins.

The seven retirees received specially inscribed Conestoga College parchment shields.

10-year service



Bottom row (from left): Mary Wright, Eleanor Conlin, Shelley Schenk, Lauren Divell, Susan Garlick. Back row (from left): George Woods, Shirley Nequest, Stephen Case, Pat Tondreau, Gail Resch, Rick Casey, Mitch Wawzonek, Debbie Blumenthal.

(Photo by Leanne Moses)

25-year service



Bottom row (from left): Titia Taylor, Marion Watson, Daphne Gatehouse, Donna Coulas, Carolyn Dudgeon, Carol Dietrich. Back row: Bart Wesseling, Tom Lumsden, David Courtemanche, Ken Smith, Yorck Lindner, Doug Wilson, John Scott, Ken Snyder, Tony Martinek, Brad Howarth, Brent Davidson, Martin Dambeau, Denis Kuhl, Geoff Johnstone.

(Photo by Leanne Moses)

Retirees



From left: Colin Isles, Jean McEwan and Bill Harrison.

(Photo by Leanne Moses)

Honor Roll

10 Years

Judith Bali
Debbie Blumenthal
Grace Carruthers
Stephen Case
Rick Casey
Eleanor Conlin
Patricia Cruickshank
June Dahmer

Lauren Divell
Jerry Frank
Susan Garlick
Karsten Madsen
Lance McDermott
Shirley Nequest
Valerie Pinder
Gail Resch

Nancy Roszell
Shelley Schenk
Donna Snyder
Pat Tondreau
Mitch Wawzonek
Tim Williams
George Woods
Mary Wright

25 Years

Bill Cleminson
Donna Coulas
Dave Courtemanche
Martin Dambeau
Brent Davidson
Carol Dietrich
Don Douglas
Carolyn Dudgeon
Daphne Gatehouse
Barry Gotts

Mary Harkness
Sharon Herman
Brad Howarth
Bruce Huffman
Geoff Johnstone
Denis Kuhl
Barb Kuhn
Yorck Lindner
Tom Lumsden
Donna Malone

Tony Martinek
Gerry Naklowski
Brian Provini
John Scott
Ken Smith
Ken Snyder
Titia Taylor
Marion Watson
Bart Wesseling
Doug Wilson

Retirees

George Bulik
Eric Chilingarian
Barry Gotts

Bill Harrison
Colin Isles
Jean McEwan

Simon Niklaus

Career Corner

Submitted by Marilyn Snyder

Preparing a Resume

A resume is a self-marketing document that targets your qualifications and experience to the needs of prospective employers. Therefore, your style, skills and training should be tailored to the specific employer.

A resume is not necessarily a one-shot effort. You will constantly be required to refine and update the information if you expect doors to open for you.

Components of a resume

- **Name, address and telephone** ... Who you are and where you can be contacted.
- **Job objective** ... Optional but highly recommended.
- **Summary of skills** ... Also an optional

section, but a perfect self-marketing tool. It is a mini-resume and informs the reader of your qualifications.

- **Education and training** ... Start with the most recently attained education first. List the program or course, name of institution attended and year of graduation.
- **Relevant skills and experience** ... Consider what relevant accomplishments you have gained from previous jobs. Write action-oriented statements that clearly and concisely describe how you used or developed those skills.
- **Work history** ... List paid and volunteer jobs, dates you started and ended (months are optional), job title and name and city of company. List in reverse chronological order.

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Just a thought



By Samantha Craggs

Don't take your friends for granted

This past July, my friend Chris got drunk at a party and ventured onto the road. He was hit by a car and killed immediately.

A week before, he had come into my workplace during rush hour and wanted to talk to me about his new haircut. I told him I was busy and brushed him off and he looked disappointed as he walked out but I thought "What does he want from me? I'm busy!"

Tuesday was my friend Amy's 21st birthday. I had blown all my money at the journalism banquet and hadn't taken the time to get her anything.

For my 21st birthday she sent me a grab bag of things I had run out of - a carton of cigarettes, Diet Coke, mini containers of Chef Boyardee to take in my lunch and other assorted groceries.

I never really thought about it until I looked in my student planner and saw "Happy birthday Amy" and underneath it "get freelance hand-outs and advertising assignment from Amy." She is someone who got notes for the classes I'd missed and gave me rides home on cold days.

Someone once said we meet an average of 10,000 people in our lives. How many of those people actually become friends? If you're lucky, two or three. How much time in our day do we spend listening to them?

Students are busy, everyone knows that. There are always assignments to do and teachers to see and things to photocopy.

God forbid you're a mature student. Then on top of schoolwork, you have diapers to change and report cards to sign and dinner to make. Sometimes it's hard to have time for lunch.

It's like Stephen King's protagonist Gordie Lachance says in *The Body*, "People pass in and out of our lives like busboys in a restaurant." Friends will become faces in the hallway if you don't take the time out to listen.

Have you lost touch with friends since you started school?

My best friend Debbie has been there since Grade 1, and now I'm lucky if I call her once a week.

Pick up the phone and call someone that's been trying to get a hold of you the past two months. If you don't it will be awkward when you finally do call or worse yet, you may forget about it entirely until school is over.

Sure, there are so-called friends who give you the run around and talk about you behind your back and conveniently forget that they owe you money, but by the time you get to college you have a basic idea who your real friends are.

The bottom line is, you can't tell your assignment a good joke and you can't ask your homework for advice.

It's like Frasier Crane said in the final episode of *Cheers*, "Time goes by so fast, and we must never miss an opportunity to tell these people what they mean to us."

Guest column

By Cassandra Daly and Daniel Rainham

Long-term planning needed for nuclear waste

The world is a place of rapid and drastic change, where it is difficult to keep pace with the latest technologies, social revolutions and economic reforms. Although challenging, long-term planning may help ease the transition between periods of change and avoid the stress common to short-term planning.

The consequences of short-term planning are exemplified in the Canadian nuclear industry. How could the concept of nuclear power be approved, reactors built, and energy produced, when the plan for the permanent disposal of highly radioactive nuclear waste did not even exist? Obviously, the long-term consequences of nuclear energy were neglected.

Forty-eight per cent of the electricity generated in Ontario and fifteen per cent generated in Canada is produced using CANDU (CANada Deuterium Uranium) nuclear reactors. Ontario Hydro produces and owns the most nuclear fuel waste. But where does this highly radioactive waste go?

Current methods rely on temporary storage. Radioactive waste is kept on site at nuclear power plants, submerged in large tanks of water until it is cool enough to transfer to an above-ground storage facility. There will soon be too much waste to handle and institutional controls are strained.

Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL), a federal crown corporation, has what it feels is a solution to the problem: deep burial in the Canadian Shield.

How is it possible that human health and the natural environment would be protected when the radioactive products in a spent nuclear fuel pose a threat for a time longer than the history of civilization? Hmmmm.

Daly and Rainham are students in the Environment and Resource Studies program at the University of Waterloo.

A Nuclear waste disposal forum will be held Nov. 21, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Davis Centre University of Waterloo Contact: Greg Michelank 885-1211 ext. 6577

Conestoga corner



By Heather M. Graham

The right-of-way Conestoga style

An issue I frequently ponder and one which causes me eternal grief, is the question of who has the right-of-way.

It seems redundant to ask this question at all, for not only do all licensed drivers know the answer to this question but they must also consider the legal ramifications of ignoring it.

Motor vehicle accidents involving pedestrians are always resolved in the favor of the pedestrian, even if the pedestrian made the error.

The Ontario motor vehicle regulations handbook clearly outlines that pedestrians have the right-of-way, under any circumstance.

This rule is taught by all driver education programs and must be learned and obeyed to receive a driver's licence.

Unfortunately, we see a different perspective applied in our society's roads.

Drivers seem to have forgotten the fundamental rules of driver training. Instead they have formulated their own interpretations on the importance of yielding the right-of-way.

It has become quite dangerous out there for the two-legged traveller, or for any law abiding motorist still driving by provincial guidelines.

We need to look no further than our school limits to witness an example of these infractions of motor vehicle laws.

Everyday on the way to Conestoga's Doon campus, drivers ignore the pedestrian cross-walk sign and the bright yellow cross-walk painted on the road beside the Kenneth E. Hunter Recreation Centre. They plow right through the area at lightning speed while pedestrians jump and dodge on-coming traffic, take an alternative route to avoid it or wait an eternity to cross it.

There is obviously some illogical thinking going on regarding this subject because according to the law if "X" ever marked a spot this is it.

How much time does it actually take to stop and let people cross?

Within the time it takes to think about the question someone, somewhere just crossed a street. In other words it takes no time at all.

If this is the case, what are the reasons behind these motorists' ideas on yielding right-of-way?

In simpler terms it seems the right-of-way is granted to the biggest, newest, most expensive vehicle, to whomever is on the road first and travelling the fastest until a confrontation between man and machine occurs.

It seems in such an instance either the pedestrian yields to the machine or gets run-over.

I suppose this is telling us one of two things: either we as a society have reverted to a simpler way of thinking, where the strongest survives, or citizens or this fast-paced society have no regard left for laws or for extending common courtesy.

It seems society dictates our behavior and for the strong to survive, some toes must be run-over along the way.

CONESTOGA LIFE

Spin doctor



Ivan Khan, service technician for Chonar Inc., installs the CD juke box in the Sanctuary on Nov. 9. Prices are 50 cents for one play, \$1 for three plays and \$5 for 18 plays.

(Photo by Leanne Moses)

Holiday spirit soars DSA changes mandate for wish tree

By Heather Milburn Graham

Donations for this year's Christmas wish tree will go to the children of Conestoga College students, said DSA director of student life Nada Swan.

"It's our way of bringing services closer to home," she said. "It's so common for us to look to the community when lending our support and not right here at Conestoga."

In previous years, she said donations from the tree went to the Family and Children Services of the Waterloo region.

The decision to change their mandate was made after DSA president Dawn Mittelholtz recognized the need for support during a discussion forum for students affected by family benefit cuts.

"Emotions at the meeting were immense and there was a great deal of concern by the students for the

future," said Mittelholtz. "I knew we had to do something."

Children, she said, should not be affected by these cuts and she said she hopes the school's support will help ease some of the financial pressures.

Swan said it is easy for students to become involved either by registering their children's names or by purchasing a gift.

"Any student affected can register his or her child's name in the DSA office," she said.

Swan said for children to get equal acknowledgement, their names should be registered before the event begins.

She said the tree will be located in the Sanctuary from Nov. 28 to Dec. 8. It will be decorated with tags showing the gender and age of all the children involved, she said.

"This is an opportunity for everyone at Conestoga to buy a gift for a

child of his or her choice," said Swan.

To make a gift donation, she said participants must pick a tag from the tree and register it in the DSA office. They are then responsible for purchasing a gift worth \$10 to \$15 and returning it unwrapped to the office by Dec. 8, she said.

Last year about 50 children were involved.

Another event designed to offer support to children of college students is the annual children's Christmas party.

The party will be held on Dec. 3 from 2-4 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

"This event is very popular," said Swan. "It is a free opportunity for children to be entertained and have their photo taken with Santa Claus."

She said other entertainment will include face painting and a magic show.

Conestoga's Waterloo campus kicks off its annual clothing drive

By Heather Milburn Graham

Students at Conestoga's Waterloo campus were busy folding clothing on Thursday in preparation for their annual clothing drive.

The two-day drive was held Thursday, Nov. 9 and Friday, Nov. 10.

Dianna McKay, a focus for change student, said approximately 150 people turned out for the drive.

Debbie Cox, instructor for the focus for change faculty, said the event receives good response every year. It's usually so busy there is nothing left for the next day, she said.

Sally Thomson, a student in academic upgrading, said the event is about students helping students.

"Everything is free and there are no questions asked," she said. "We're all in the same boat. We all have to work together to survive."

Thomson said the faculty, staff

and students of the campus collected clothing for two weeks and gave it away on a first-come, first-served basis.

She said many foreign students are in need of warm clothing as they come from warmer climates and are not used to Canadian winters.

Cox said the support this year for the event was incredible.

"It has been really appreciated," she said. "Some students last week didn't have coats so we dipped in early."

She said the impetus for the event was the number of adult students at the campus who are experiencing cutbacks to the social assistance programs.

"We're helping students stay in school by lending support as best we can," said Cox.

McKay said that any of the clothing not taken at the drive will be donated to the Salvation Army or Goodwill.



Waterloo campus students involved in running the annual clothing drive held on Nov. 9 and Nov. 10 at the Waterloo campus. Back row: (left to right) Thelma Young, Vivian Horovitch, Karen English, Jean Loranger, Angela Davidson, Pam Cherry. Middle row: Lise Wismer, Anita Girard, Dianna McKay, Heather Pook. Front row: Nelie Oliveira, Sally Thomson.

(Photo by Heather M. Graham)

Bridging the gap Co-operative project to be evaluated between Conestoga and Dutch college

By José Compta

The co-ordinator of the woodworking program at Conestoga College has returned from a trip to Eindhoven, Holland, on a fact-finding mission for a co-operative project between Conestoga and a Dutch college.

Mark Bramer said he spent four days meeting several faculty members who would be involved in the future development of this Canadian-Dutch pilot project.

Bramer said his trip to Eindhoven was in response to a visit by Dutch representatives to Conestoga College.

It was designed to find out more about the proposed project and inspect their facilities.

In April of this year two representatives of the Pedagogisch Tech-

nische Hogeschool came to Canada looking for a college with a woodworking centre to co-operate with them on a joint project.

They chose the Woodworking Centre of Ontario at Conestoga to be their partner school.

The object of this joint-venture would be to develop training manuals for the woodworking industry.

The Pedagogisch Technische Hogeschool is an institution with a five year diploma course that enables students to work as teachers or to go into private industry as trainers.

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"By combining the expertise from both colleges we would develop the

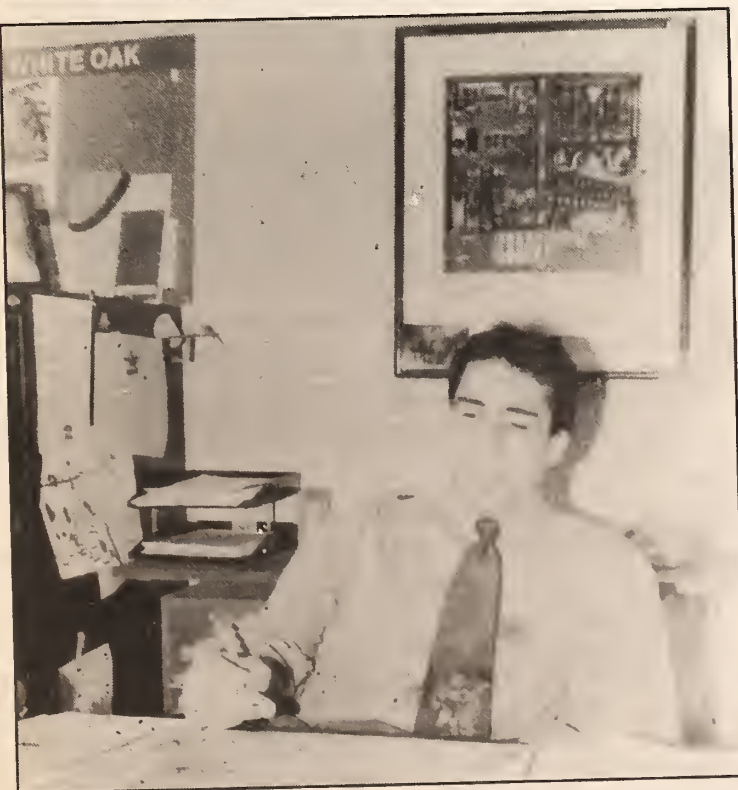
training manuals that would benefit the industry and the training institutes in both countries," Bramer said.

Another objective would be to put the instructions in alternative media like videos and CD-ROMs.

For this purpose, a team has to be developed in each country to combine expertise in all subjects, he added.

The pilot project, started in November, will be developed and presented to industry in general and to government agencies involved during the International Woodworking Machinery Show which takes place in Milan, Italy in May 1996.

"Although there are still some commitments forthcoming to make it a fixed project," said Bramer. "We are basically moving forward."



Mark Bramer, co-ordinator of the woodworking program at Conestoga, finalizes a co-operative project between Conestoga and a college in Holland.

(Photo by José Compta)

CONESTOGA LIFE

Lifestyles editor: Kean Doherty 748-5366



Kristina Abbott, a robotics student at Conestoga, is an accomplished singer-songwriter whose star is on the rise. Abbott has appeared at many local bars to showcase her talent. (Photo by Kean Doherty)

A diva with a difference

By Kean Doherty

In a music world gone mad with egotistical and falsely humble personalities, a Conestoga College robotics student makes you realize there are sincere and hardworking artists out there.

Even though her singing career had an auspicious start – warbling tunes to people she met on the bus – Kristina Abbott honed her skill as a performer through diverse activities.

From kindergarten to Grade 13, Abbott acted in plays, and in Grades 9 and 10 she painted and explored the world of visual art.

Two years ago, she got a Casio keyboard for Christmas and learned to play it without a lesson.

With such a range of talent, it's hard to blame her for being a little conceited, if not forthright about her many talents.

"The things I'm interested in I'm always good at," said Abbott.

However, Abbott does not rest on her laurels.

"You can want a lot of things, but it doesn't mean you'll get them," said Abbott.

While mainstream success has eluded her thus far, Abbott has played many venues and paid her dues along the way. Her many hats include promoter, co-ordinator and employer.

Her earliest ventures included a stint with a punk band in Brantford as a backing vocalist and some solo performances at high school talent shows.

She said that some of the venues she has played in provided laughter and surprise.

"There's nothing scarier than playing in a country bar, especially when you play the music I do," said Abbott, "but surprisingly they were very receptive."

Abbott would like nothing better, though, than to get away from the bar scene.

She said actually making some real money and playing in places

with better acoustics would be a benefit.

Money and bigger crowds, however, do not influence Abbott's song-writing or musical experimentation.

"I write my lyrics from my dreams or just from something that is casually said," said Abbott. "I try to shy away from the political themes, too."

Her forte is in the song-writing, but her band mates kid her about her lack of technical expertise.

Like a true rebel, though, she said "music theory limits my artistic capabilities."

What really irks Abbott, too, are the multi-million selling bands who try to portray themselves as angst-ridden and depressed.

"A lot of bands seem fake," said Abbott. "What they are really out for is to be political and make a buck."

Abbott said her main goal is to be different and chameleon-like in her singing, song-writing and arranging. The comparisons to Tori Amos and her idol, Sarah MacLachlan, have been made, but she shrugs them off.

"I didn't set out to sound like anyone else," said Abbott.

Her friends say that her different and eclectic style "say it all" and that she is wonderful as a person, friend and songwriter.

Abbott is polite, charming and quick-witted in person. It's in her music that she releases the things that depress her.

Abbott said she likes to be specific and serious about the issues and subjects she tackles in her music without being whiny or preachy.

"What's the point of writing a happy song?" she said.

If this comment sounds cynical, you don't have to look far to tell that Abbott's life and career are headed in the right direction.

Juggling a part-time job, a band and club dates and a full slate of robotics engineering classes should prepare her for what lies ahead.

BRT banquet goes "without a hitch"

By Samantha Craggs

Accomplished journalist Ann Medina was the guest speaker at the annual broadcasting, radio and television banquet on Friday, Nov. 3.

"It went without a hitch," said program co-ordinator Paul Scott, who was on the banquet planning committee. "It is always a challenge for an awards committee to entice guest speakers like Medina."

Medina is an experienced news perso who studied philosophy at Wellesley College, Harvard and the University of Edinburgh. Later, she was a network producer for NBC news and a correspondent and producer for ABC news.

Medina has also been the executive producer of CBC's News-magazine.

She was the senior foreign correspondent for the Journal, covering stories in the Mideast and throughout the world.

Later she was on BBC's News-night, PBS's MacNeil-Lehrer Re-

port and was the Beirut bureau chief for CBC's The National.

Medina is currently chair of the Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television, chair of the Cultural Industries Council of Ontario, and is on the board of TV Ontario.

BRT faculty member Tracy Hallman, a support staff member of the planning committee, said in an interview that committee chair Katherine Dowling had Medina booked since last spring.

Seventeen awards were presented in 13 categories.

The largest award, presented to Julie Bietz, was the CKDK Student Scholarship Award. The new CKDK award is a \$1,000 scholarship offered to first and second-year students only and must be applied to the cost of tuition, books and supplies.

The John Larke Memorial Award, offered by CHYM FM and Country 570, was worth \$500 and presented to Laura McGugan.

The CJOY/Magic FM Newsperson of the year award, recognizing student enterprise and expertise in

news reporting, was worth \$250 and presented to CJLT program director Adam McCarthy.

"I'm spending the money on December's rent," McCarthy said. "I'm not kidding."

A touching moment at the ceremony was the standing ovation for Paul Scott, who is leaving Conestoga on Nov. 24. Scott said it was a hard moment to handle.

"In all my years of performing as a radio announcer and in front of crowds, there's only been two times when I was moved so much that I couldn't perform as usual," Scott said in an interview. "This was one of them. You can't just lose it, but you can't prepare for that type of thing."

The awards ceremony was held at Kitchener's Transylvania Club.

The banquet committee included chair Dowling, a 1994 graduate of the program, Scott, and faculty members Dan Fisher, Mike DuBoulay and Hallman. Students Lisa Pleau, Stephanie Bakker and Tammy Love also lent a helping hand.

BRT students presented awards at banquet

The CHYM Announcing Awards recognizes excellent announcing skills and development. The award winners this year were Brian Zajac, Vivianne Gingras and Louise Allison.

The AM 1410/Telemedia Broadcast Management Award with a cash prize of \$250 was presented to the graduating student with high academic standing and demonstrated abilities in broadcast management. The award was presented this year to Gabriella Currie.

The CJCS/Telemedia Creative Awards are two awards with cash prizes of \$250 each in recognition of creative writing and production ability. The awards are presented to Jennifer Watt and Viviane Gingras.

The CJOY/Magic Newsperson of the Year Award recognizes student enterprise and expertise in news reporting. The award carries a cash value of \$250 and was presented to Adam McCarthy.

The TV London/Neil Stevens Memorial Award inaugurated in 1987 in memory of Neil Stevens recognizes on-cam-

era performance and professionalism and carries a cash prize of \$250. The award was presented to Gabriella Currie.

The K.A. Mackenzie Memorial Award honors the late K.A. MacKenzie, a member of the BRT faculty and staff from 1969-1978. The award, recognizing innovative use of technology, carries a cash award of \$300 and was presented to Alison Smith.

The CHUM Limited Award for Excellence in Radio Programming is worth \$500 and is presented to students demonstrating advanced skills in documentary or magazine format programming. The award was presented to Vivianne Gingras and Shannon Beaver.

The Carl A. Pollack Memorial Award, worth \$250, is sponsored by CAP Communications is presented to the student entering the final year with the highest academic standing. The winner was Mike Paonni.

The Pat Fitzgerald Award, sponsored and presented by the staff of CKCO TV, recognizes the student who consis-

tently promotes motivation, goodwill, and understanding toward fellow students. The winner was Mike Paonni.

The Betty Thompson Broadcaster of the Year Award, worth \$250, recognizes outstanding undergraduate talent and commitment as demonstrated by productivity and excellence in television programming and production. The recipient of this year's award was Terry Kelly.

The Rogers Cable TV Award for programming in the community interest is worth \$275 and was presented to Rikki Burak.

The John Larke Memorial Award offered by CHYMFM and Country 570, worth \$500 encourages and recognizes continuing career achievement through education. This award was presented to Laura McGugan.

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CONESTOGA LIFE

Students given opportunity to showcase skills

By Leanne Moses

Students in the third-year computer programmer analyst program are looking for jobs – and they are willing to work for free.

Starting in January, the students must find a project which entails designing a computer system that meets the needs of their clients, said business faculty member John Scott.

He said the students must meet to discuss requirements, design the program and entry screens, and write all user documentation. As well, they present their work to the client and teacher.

Scott said the students are skilled in many different programming languages such as Basic, Z, CO-

BOL, dBase IV, C, Clipper, R.P.G (report program generator) and ZIM, a database management system.

This year, students also were introduced to Windows programming.

Besides programming, the students take general elective courses. For instance, they take accounting because many of the programs they design have to do with accounting systems. They also take manufacturing application related to inventory and production, basic business communications courses, organizational behavior, and such general education courses as math.

The students usually work on the projects in groups of three.

Students who do the project can enter a contest as well which is judged by three judges, said Scott.

At the end of the term an open house is held for local representatives from the computer industry.

Sponsors provide three prizes of \$350 each.

Each group makes a half-hour presentation about its work.

Last year, the project that won was a payroll and quotation system with an instruction manual that was designed for a paving company.

Other projects that have won are a payroll and payables system for a health and beauty spa, and a program to help the Freeport Health Centre of the Grand River Hospi-

tal match available facilities with a patient waiting list.

Faculty members oversee the project groups including scheduling regular meetings and acting as project managers to keep projects on schedule, make suggestions and help students with problems.

Some ideas come from students, others come from faculty, and some are mailed to Scott.

Scott said the projects help students get jobs because of contacts they make while working on the project. As well, companies which attend the open house sometimes come with the objective of hiring.

"The groups that win usually get jobs right away," said Scott.

The judging is done by people not connected with the college. A

major sponsor of the contest, the Association for Systems Management, usually picks one of the judges.

One judge is usually a graduate of the Conestoga program who has been working at least five years in the industry, and the third judge is also someone in the computer industry.

Scott said students find the projects more interesting than assignments because they are real.

"There is pride of ownership. They create something that people will use."

Anyone who knows someone who would be interested in having a custom computer system developed should call John Scott at extension 352.

Peer hosting A bridge to Canadian culture

By Linda Yovanovich

Student services will be holding a get together on Wednesday, Nov. 29 from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. for students involved in the peer host program.

Program co-ordinator Barb Kraler said in an interview she believes the event will be a chance for the students using the service to get acquainted with each other.

They can also follow up on how well the service is working for the students involved.

The service was developed to assist visa students to assimilate into college life.

Kraler said, though, that other students who have approached her about the peer host program have been students originally from other countries who are in the process of becoming Canadian citizens.

Kraler said, the program was initially developed for first-year students, partly because they wanted to keep the numbers small.

However, Kraler said she has

found there has not been as much demand for the program as expected.

This summer 10 students took a four-hour training session to become a peer host, said Kraler.

Since September, only seven students have asked to be paired with a peer host.

"We did expect more people requesting the program," said Kraler. "We could still accommodate requests."

Kraler added that if a second-year student from another culture wanted to be matched with a peer host, the program could probably serve such a need.

"It is possible we'll find people identifying that they need someone to help them assimilate (next semester)."

The relationships which develop between students and their peer hosts is as varied as the individuals, Kraler said.

The program asks peer host to keep in contact at least once a month, minimum.

She said some students who request assistance from the peer host program assimilate better than expected.

Therefore they do not need much contact and help from their peer host, while others in a peer host relationship have become good friend.

As a result, she said one student and his peer host are even car-pooling to school from Guelph everyday.

Kraler said the experience has been beneficial for the students involved in the program.

She said it has been a rewarding experience because the students have felt a sense of helping and have learned about a new culture.

Kraler said, student services has not made any decision on whether peer hosting would continue as a program.

Although, she said the international office likes the program because it is a good service to recruit foreign students and a good way to retain them.

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Alex Bickers of AT&T repairs an automatic teller machine on Doon campus while ATM field service officers Brad Karges (left) and John Tonkovic stand guard. (Photo by Lise Eleanor)

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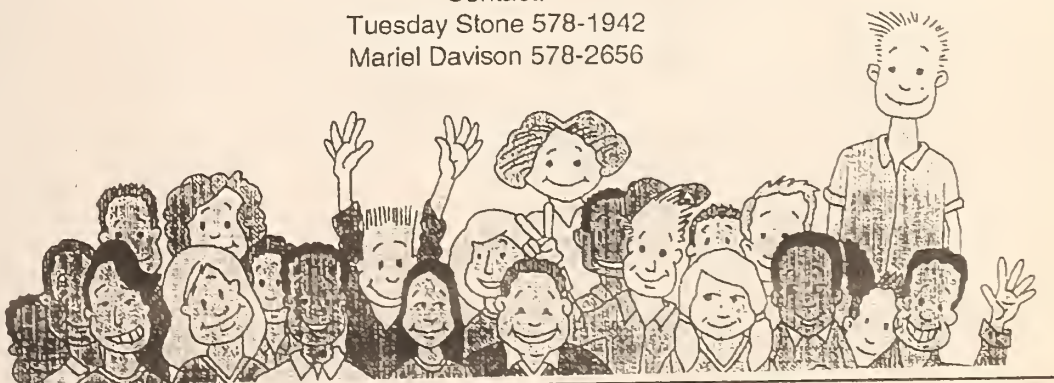
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Remembrance reading shows respect

By Steve Tuckwood

Maybe Remembrance Day doesn't seem to mean as much to the younger generation of North American youth who have not witnessed the horrors of war firsthand, but that doesn't necessarily mean we have forgotten about our history and those who shaped it.

On Friday Nov. 10 the Sanctuary was the site of a 30-minute Remembrance Day service attended by more than a few and respected by all of them.

DSA vice-president of student affairs, April-Dawn Blackwell, who was a member of the stage party that read the personal account, said she was pleased with the turnout, but even more pleased with the behavior of those in attendance.

"The people who did stay were great, they were attentive and responsive to the reading," said Blackwell.

Blackwell said the readings that took place were found in a file and contained personal accounts of people's experiences with the war. The format offered an informal setting for the service, one which worked to the advantage of those involved.

"This format was something we thought could work," said Blackwell. "A formal-type setting was not the way to go about it and we thought that this was."

One idea the reading did attempt to relate was that Canadian peacekeepers are still being used today, in places like Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The fact that some Canadian peacekeepers have died there during the conflict is something

younger Canadians should remember on this day.

A tree-planting ceremony held outside of the main cafeteria followed the service. A handful of students and staff attended. All of those present were invited to participate in the ceremony by throwing a shovelful of earth back into

the hole where the tree will remain.

Overall, the service and tree planting went well, said Blackwell, she thanked everyone for attending and said she hoped the Sanctuary would be considered as a site for the same format of service next year.



April-Dawn Blackwell, vice-president of student affairs, loads a shovel with earth to help plant a tree Nov. 10, as part of the ceremonies for Remembrance Day. (Photo by Lise Eleanor)

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CONESTOGA LIFE

Rooks and pawns were flying Doon teacher takes on all comers

By Steve Tuckwood

A good chess game can take its mental toll on the best of players. Try playing 12 games simultaneously and see how you feel.

Stelian George-Cosh, an 11-year member of the mechanical engineering faculty, did just that as he took on all challengers at the Doon Student Association sponsored chess tournament, Nov. 7.

The tournament which ran about a half-an-hour longer than its scheduled 11:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. time slot saw about 20 games played between students and George-Cosh.

Moving methodically from one board to the next, George-Cosh quietly went about disposing of all but a few opponents.

Steve Horst, a second-year business student and member of the Canadian Federation of Chess players, said the match he and

George-Cosh played to a draw was a good one, but that George-Cosh really should have beaten him.

"I think he was just being generous," said Horst, a rated chess player who took two hours out of the middle of his day to play the match.

George-Cosh is by no means a chess rookie. The professional engineer, who emigrated to Canada in 1981, was educated in Romania with the help of a chess scholarship. He said the game is something he doesn't play as much as he used to but still enjoys.

George-Cosh said he enjoys doing events like this because they heighten the awareness of chess at the college and also helps the students' thought processes.

"Chess develops spatial memory, logic, and also self esteem if you are successful at it," said George-Cosh.

George-Cosh said the DSA has

approached him a few times about running such an event, but a sabbatical in Singapore he returned from in September, put the idea on hold for three years.

Peter Macpherson, a first-year mechanical engineering student and chair of Conestoga's chess club, played George-Cosh to a draw.

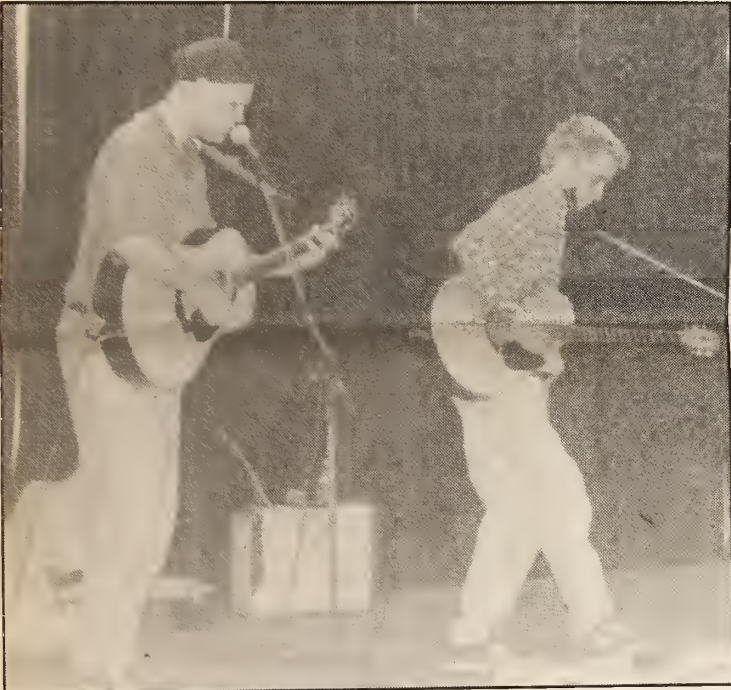
He said the event was organized partly to create awareness of the game and partly to raise awareness of the club.

"We have a relatively small group going now, and hopefully an event like this will get a few more people interested in joining the club."

Macpherson said the tournament was extremely successful based on the number of walk-up or impromptu players who added to the five people who had originally signed up before the tournament started.



Stelian George-Cosh, a teacher in the mechanical engineering faculty, contemplates his next move in a match against journalism student Bruce Manion.
(Photo by Steve Tuckwood)



Local musicians Paul MacLeod (left) and Dan Michel entertained students at a free nooner Nov. 8 in the Sanctuary.
(Photo by Steve Tuckwood)

Local musicians cover it all in the Sanctuary

By Steve Tuckwood

The crowd was kind of into it as two of the area's finer musicians came to entertain the troops in a noon-time gig at the Sanctuary Nov. 9.

Local immortals Dan Michel and Paul MacLeod, veterans of the Kitchener-Waterloo-Guelph bar and music scene to say the least, brought their collection of cover tunes to Conestoga.

With tracks from Peter Gabriel to an acoustic version of Beastie Boys and Public Enemy, MacLeod and Michel showed Conestoga why they are accomplished musicians with professionally produced albums to their credit.

The Canadian content was not absent either with selections from Jane Siberry, Rheostatics and Daniel Lanois.

MacLeod, who admitted this was

one of those early days for him due to the fact he is recording a new album which takes up most of his late nights and early mornings, said the venue was not bad compared to most and really just needs a little bit of fine tuning to be considered good.

"We were joking about where they were going to put us," said MacLeod. "And we decided that if we were in the cafeteria we were going to play behind the Harvey's counter, or nowhere else. But the lounge here is definitely much better than some of the places at the local universities."

The crowd, which varied in size from the beginning of the performance to the end of it, was generally in tune with the show though which is more than some of the other nooners can lay claim to.

Some of the more alternative selections were not necessarily the

choice of some of the audience, but that did not distract them from voicing their approval for the talent displayed.

Michel, a recent castoff of the Rhinos, joked with the crowd a little bit during the set claiming Lanois was also the writer of the African Lion Safari jingle most of us were haunted by during our youth.

Overall the show seemed to be considered a success based on turnout.

Entertainment assistant Gavin Fitzpatrick said the DSA was pleased with the turnout despite the last minute timing and hoped this many people would attend the next function.

For those interested, MacLeod's album will be due out soon. Look for it because I know he has spent a lot of time on it and it should be great.

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Swimming With Sharks takes a bite out of Hollywood

By Kean Doherty

video review



Swimming With Sharks
Star: Frank Whaley

If you take a look at the title of the movie *Swimming With Sharks* without reading the jacket, you might think it's just another Jacques Cousteau documentary. Thankfully, Cousteau's nasal commentary is nowhere to be found in this gem of a video release. *Swimming With Sharks* did not have a wide release, but it should do well on video. This movie is clever, well-written and darkly comic. Word of mouth alone should bring in a few bucks. The movie opens with a flashback and wends its way from past to present through more flashback and foreshadowing.

The main character, Guy, played by Frank Whaley (you may remember him as Tom Cruise's buddy in *Born on the Fourth of July*) is shown in the opening scene schmoozing with his studio executive wanna-be friends. Guy regales them with tales of his exploits as a Hollywood insider and stories of famous and infamous people he comes into contact with. Behind the bravado, though, lurks a soulless, butt-kissing film school graduate who chucks his morals and integrity for a shot at

the big time. The source of Guy's tortured persona is his boss, studio bigwig Buddy Ackerman (played with delicious mania by Kevin Spacey). Ackerman berates Guy at every turn, forces him to perform outrageous tasks and generally makes his life a living hell. One comic scene has Guy in Buddy's office, answering calls while Buddy talks on another line. Meanwhile, Guy feels the urge to answer a call of nature. Buddy sarcastically refuses to acknowledge

Guy's need and pours a glass of water to taunt him. This is but the tip of the iceberg for Ackerman's character. Interspersed with scenes of Guy's ultimate and darkly violent revenge on his boss, are scenes depicting Guy's descent into hell and Ackerman's demonic existence. He makes Guy get his girlfriends' phone numbers on weekends, changes his mind at the drop of a hat and has Guy pay for his error by launching cynical and never-ending tirades. Guy ultimately finds solace in an art film producer, Dawn, who takes off Guy's rose-colored glasses and forces him to look into his own abyss. What Guy finds, he doesn't like. Eventually he takes on Dawn's

view of things, such as her penchant for important film making and her disgust for Ackerman. Guy, however, can not shake the hold Buddy has on him, and when things fall apart between him and Dawn, he exacts his revenge in a most unpleasant way. Let's just say Guy finds new ways to be cruel with hot sauce and envelopes. The dialogue during the torture scenes is reminiscent of early Hollywood, when actors like Jimmy Cagney and Edward G. Robinson could carry a movie just on the delivery of their lines. I won't divulge the ending, but it's not patented and will leave you satisfied, if not a little shocked. *Swimming with Sharks* is well worth the price of rental.

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Connery convincing in fight for *Just Cause*

By Sean Webb

video review



Just Cause
Director: Arne Glincher

Sean Connery displays his flair for the dramatic in this Arne Glincher movie about a Harvard law professor whose convictions are tested by the pleas of a death-row inmate. Connery plays the leading male character, professor Paul Armstrong, an idealistic man who defies the wisdom and advice of the judicial body and law enforcement agency in Everglade County in southern Florida, by re-examining the case of a convicted killer. Armstrong becomes involved in an eight-year-old murder case after convicted killer Bobby Earl sends his grandmother to visit Armstrong during his debate against capital punishment. According to Underwood he was just another innocent black man convicted of a crime he did not commit. Armstrong attempts to fight the good fight and discover who the real murderer is. However, he finds there is a thin line between being the victim and the offender in this case. In his first meeting with Earl, Armstrong is surprised to learn the situation isn't just a case of a racial

white police force and judicial system that convicted an innocent man. According to Earl he was beaten by a white cop only to have the cop's black partner Tommy Brown force a confession from him by playing a game of Russian roulette. Earl told Armstrong "Tommy Brown is one of those niggers who likes being the big fish in a small pond. This is the new south, now they have black cops to come and torment your ass. It's called affirmative action." With the help of information given by Blair Sullivan, a convicted serial killer also on death row, Armstrong is able to find the murder weapon. However, his efforts are constantly undermined by Brown's insistence that Earl was the real killer. It is revealed that Brown was much closer to the victim in this case than originally thought. In the end Armstrong is caught in a battle between his belief in a fair

and just society and the well-being of his family. Often his enemies were his best allies. A Sean Connery movie is like no other you can see. Connery has the ability to carry a weak cast and make the best out of a poor script, this was apparent in the movie *Medicine Man*. However, in this movie Connery is supported by a quality cast of actors such as Laurence Fishbourne, Kate Capshaw, Blair Underwood and Ed Harris. He also had a wonderful script full of strong dialogue based on the novel by John Katzenbach. This film plays on your emotions and makes you reconsider your views on many pressing issues. It walks you through the stereotypical south and then makes you question why you have those stereotypes. This movie is well worth the time and money it costs to watch it. It is an investment in your own personal entertainment and enjoyment which pays great dividends.

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SPORTS

Conestoga beats up on the Sault

By Scott Donnelly

The Condors scored three first period goals and hung on to beat Sault College 7-5 in Sault Ste. Marie, Friday, Nov. 10.

Coach Tony Martindale said his team got off to a much quicker start than in their home opener. The Condors scored a short-handed goal early in the game and added two more before Sault scored, he said.

In the second, Martindale said the game opened up and both teams scored four times to make the score 7-5.

Evan Anderson and Dewayne Kropf scored two goals apiece and Terry Lammens added three assists to pace the Condor attack.

Martindale said the team played strong defence in the third period and the Condors were able to withstand the Sault attack.

Devin Stuebing played net the

first two periods, while Chris Marshall went in for the third as Martindale continued to experiment with his goaltending.

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Tony Martindale
Condor head coach

Martindale said the Condors displayed more discipline than in the first game against Seneca but they were still hurt by the penalties.

"The power-play has hurt us in both games," said Martindale. "We'd prefer to play five-on-five all the time. In those situations we've outplayed everyone so far."

Because the team only had four defencemen, Martindale said he

was forced to play Joel Washkurak on defence. He said Washkurak and Terry Lammens's line played great games.

Although the team played better defensively in the third period, Martindale said there is still lots of room for improvement.

"In terms of defence we're still not where we want to be," he said. "We should be giving up two or three goals a game, not five or six."

Martindale said the team took a lot of penalties because there were only two officials and they did not want things to get out of hand.

He said the league's new obstruction rule has not played a big part in either of the Condors' games.

"It's not being called the way it should," he said. "It's intended to get the teams to skate more, use their feet rather than their stick. We've talked about it as a team and we're ready when they start calling it."

Watch your back



A "Walsh's Warriors" defender (left) is in hot pursuit of a "Bench Minor" forward during intramural indoor ball hockey action at the Recreation centre, Nov. 12. These are two of the four teams that make up the Conestoga league. (Photo by Scott Donnelly)

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Condors tie Seneca in season opener

By Scott Donnelly

The hockey Condors came from behind three times and then blew a lead with less than two minutes left to play and had to settle for a 7-7 tie with the Seneca Braves Wednesday, Nov. 8.

About 70 fans were at the Kenneth E. Hunter Recreation Centre to see the Condors' first game of the season.

The Conestoga players wore black arm bands and there was a moment of silence for Cory Stoyko, a former player who died of a brain aneurism Nov. 7.

When the game did start, Conestoga came out flat against the Braves who were already playing their third game of the season.

The Condors played some sloppy defence and took some bad penalties which led to a 2-0 deficit after one period, much to the delight of a group of rather boisterous Seneca fans who taunted the Condor players.

The Condors came out flying in the second and got on the board with a power-play goal five minutes into the period.

Evan Anderson broke in on a one-on-one and slid a backhand

just inside the post as he was being hauled to the ice.

Less than two minutes later Steve Lemieux picked-off an errant pass at the blue line, skated in, and blew a slapshot past Braves goalie Sam Pancini into the top corner.

Conestoga's defence looked shabby again as the Braves had three odd-man rushes before finally taking the lead at 12:15 of the second.

As the game became more physical, the Condors picked up the play. Conal Vaughn evened the score with another power-play goal after a nice pass from Terry Lammens.

The teams traded goals late in the second and the score after two periods was 4-4.

Anderson and Jamie Parsons scored in the first two minutes of the third as the Condors looked to have the game in hand.

However, two Conestoga penalties led to two more Seneca goals and the game was tied once again.

Then with 4:42 left in the game, the puck was cantered to Dwayne Kropf who banged it past the Braves goaltender.

Two minutes later, Conestoga's Jason Wadel took a penalty for slashing, his third of the game.

At 1:29, while still on the power-play, the Braves called a time-out and pulled their goalie Sam Pancini.

Twenty seconds later Braves defenceman Kris Chraba fired a point shot and Seneca captain Tom Jack shovelled in the Stuebing rebound before the Condors could clear it.

Condor coach Tony Martindale said the slow start was a point of concern.

"That's a situation that we have to rectify," he said. "We can't expect to do that in Sault Ste. Marie this weekend."

Martindale also said that he will split the goal tending duties between Chris Marshall, who started the game, and Devin Stuebing, who finished the game.

Although only eight players are returning from last year's squad, Martindale said the team has already gelled.

"We're pretty close and the guys get along pretty well," said Martindale. "We've got good team things happening already."

The Condors will see action Nov. 17 when they host unbeaten Cambrian for a 7 p.m. start.

Troy Caley is leading Cambrian with 13 goals in four games.



Seneca Braves forward Chris Reeve races up the ice during a game against the Condors Nov. 8. The two teams battled to a 7-7 tie. (Photo by Scott Donnelly)

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Men's Hockey:

Standings:

Team	W	L	T	GF	GA	P
Cambrian	3	1	0	38	27	6
Seneca	2	0	1	21	19	5
Conestoga	1	0	1	14	12	3
Fleming (P)	0	1	0	6	10	0
Fleming (L)	0	2	0	12	19	0
Sault	0	2	0	11	15	0

Results:

Nov. 8 Seneca 7 Conestoga 7

Nov. 9 Cambrian 13 Fleming (L) 7

Nov. 10 Conestoga 7 Sault 5

Cambrian 10 Fleming (P) 6

Individual Statistics:

Player/Team	G	A	P	PIM
T. Caley/CAM	13	10	23	2
B. McAskill/CAM	7	11	18	6
N.Schoenfeld/SFL	5	3	8	0
F. Pagani/SEN	3	5	8	8
T. Kutschke/CAM	3	4	7	18
J. Coleman/SEN	4	3	7	0
Kris Chraba/SEN	4	3	7	6
Chris Torkoff/SEN	1	5	6	9
Paul Sinfarosa/SFL	2	4	6	2

Upcoming Games:

Nov. 26 Conestoga at Fleming(P), 7 p.m.

Dec. 2 Conestoga at Cambrian, 8 p.m.

Dec. 7 Conestoga at Seneca, 8 p.m.

Athlete of the week

Evan Anderson

Member of men's varsity hockey team

Anderson, a second year general business student, is a two-time winner of the award this season.

Anderson scored the Condors season opening goal and added two more in the Sault College game to help the Condors earn their first regular season victory.

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